## Rocks

DEC. 20 - It was a beautiful day here Sunday. Some chilly mornings last week. The hunters are still trying to get a turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Goodman Ranson, "are all smiles". It's a girl, Amy Elizabeth, born at Virginia Baptist Hospital on December 15.

A few farmers were on the tobacco market and finished selling their last tobacco.

Mrs. Maude Ranson entered Lynchburg General Hospital with a broken hip. A speedy recovery is wished her.

Rita Inge is home from Madison College for the Christmas holidays and a few days in the New Year.

A number attended the Civil War Christmas at Appomatox Court House National Park on Saturday night.

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Bowman were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Ranson on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Martin attended the Ralph Lacy Rush funeral at Dillwyn on Sunday.

A number were shopping in Lynchburg and Farmville last week.

Frank Lee Elder killed his first deer Saturday. He was quite happy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Burrell of Appomattox on Sunday.

Cassie Baldwin called to see Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nash Sunday afternoon. They have moved into their new home near Pamplin.

A number attended the musical concert at ACHS Sunday afternoon.

School will be closing on Tuesday for the Christmas holidays.

Farmers have been doing some plowing.

BYW Meeting at Ruth Caldwell's on Tuesday morning at 10:30.

A very good crowd was out Sunday morning for Sunday School and Preaching Service.

Dr. J. J. Bowman brought a fine Christmas message. The choir rendered special music. Solo: Patty Roach with Susan Morris at the piano; Solo: Patricia Elder with Mrs. W. H. Elder at the piano.Fine devotion by Odelle Ranson.

Rev. Wilbur Maxwell, of South Carolina, and his family will arrive during the Christmas to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Maxwell, Sr., of Pamplin.

## Beckham

Mrs. Gibbs Martin was the dinner guest of Mrs. Burnette Smith, of Lynchburg, recently. Mrs. Martin also visited Mrs. Evie Burnette and Mr. Harold Martin in Medical Care Center.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin had many of their relatives and friends for dinner on Saturday night. E. W. Martin spent the week end in this home.

Mr. Abner Martin is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee and Miss Eunice Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore, Jr. visited Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee and Miss Eunice Martin Friday night.

Mr. Ronnie Morris, of VPI and SU and Miss Carolyn Morris, of Lynchburg College are spending the holidays at home with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, Melanie Morris and Mrs. S. G. Martin.

Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Carter, Crystal and Karen, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Martin, Jr., Mrs. Geraldine Moore, Gwen Moore, A. C., Michael and Edward.

Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee, Miss Eunice Martin and Mr. Abner Martin were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Martin.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris and family and Mrs. S. G. Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Winston Martin, Mrs. Mary Lizzie Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Martin, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Jutson Morris, Mrs. Marvin Martin and Mr. Jerry May.

The young folks of Trinity Church presented a Christmas program Sunday night with good attendance.

We wish each of you a very meaningful Christmas Season.

## Jordan

Fear not; for, behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people, for unto you is born this day in the ciyt of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

On Thursday, Dec. 23, the Sunday School will present its annual Christmas program. Everyone is invited to attend. This program will begin at 7:00 p.m.

On Sunday, Dec. 26, regular preaching services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Come worship with us on the last Sunday in the year.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. Issac Trent, Jr. He is in the hospital in Richmond. Our prayers and best wishes for a speedy recovery go out to him.

May all the joys and blessings of this Yuletide season be bestowed upon you and yours.

## *Yule Lives In Legend And Lore*

Twinkling on trees, glowing from windows, glittering everywhere, Christmas lights reflect, today, the candles of an earlier time.

A candle in the window can light the Christ Child on his way, says Irish legend.

Nativity scenes in homes and churches depict the animals of the Manger—and on Christmas Eve, the cattle, the sheep and all the animals present at the Nativity are given the gift of speech.

So says the lore of Christmas.

Blossoming on the holiday scene, greens and flowers spread their beauty and fragrance, reminding all of the living wonder of Christmas.

In legend, all flowers bloom at midnight on Christmas Eve, just as they did more than 2,000 years ago.

The legend and lore of Christmas expresses the simple faith that lies at the heart of this happy, holy time.

Some of the most delightful of legends are told in carols.

From France comes the "Carol of the Birds." Its words recount how the birds flew to Bethlehem to behold the Christ Child. Each bird, as it flew, sang a special song of praise and rejoicing.

There's a "Carol of the Flowers," too. Summoned to the presence of the newborn King, every flower blossomed, and each blossom was a symbol of the Little One's virtues.

Seafaring peoples, in their own way, related nature's wonders to the miracle of the Nativity, through carols.

"I Saw Three Ships Come Sailing" tells of ships crossing the sea on Christmas morn, bearing Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

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## Original holiday decorations add to merriment!

For a shimmering effect, swag long strips of tinsel at the top of your windows, over whatever curtains or draperies are already there. Add glistening Christmas tree balls and you'll have a picture window that is lovely inside and out.

For a festive indoor window-sill box, fill a long planter with evergreens and tuck bright tinsel flowers thickly through the greens. You might also want to stand this Christmas garden on a long book shelf.

Hang a silver metal lettuce basket in some unexpected corner of your house, filled with large and small balls of colored yarn accented with gleaming Christmas tree balls . . . all silver would be spectacular!

A simple and sophisticated table centerpiece can be a conversation piece when entertaining. Fill a glass hurricane chimney with cranberries, kumquats or crab apples and top with a tuft of graceful seasonal greenery. Flanked by graceful candles it is a lovely sight. If you're lucky enough to have a mantelpiece, this colorful arrangement will look charming on it as well.

## Oakville

Mr. Harris Kern and Mr. Mike Harvey from Alexandria were luncheon guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Moore. They have been camping in the area and enjoying some hunting.

Mrs. Maggie Gardner was moved last week to the Medical Care Center in Lynchburg. We pray she will continue to improve and soon be home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Marshall and Kathy and Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Moore were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rosson and family of Travillian.

Glad to see Jimmy Burcher, U. S. Navy home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Russell Covington and Jane Russell and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gardner visited Miss Ethel Gardner during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Moore and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Moore and Jane on Sunday.

We of the Oakville Community wish the Times-Virginian Editor and his staff, also its readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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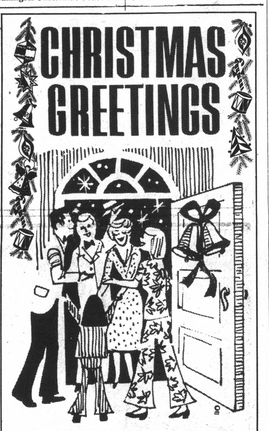

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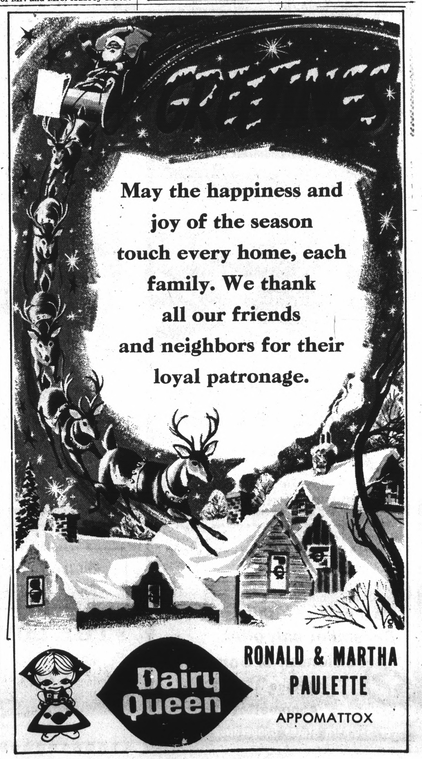

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**4-H FISHING CONTEST WINNERS** - left to right, are Ray Phelps, Michael Marshall, Darryl MacIntosh, Janis Richardson, James Williams, Jerry Hudson and Todd Pickett are shown with Mr. Carl Miller of White's Auto Store, sponsor of the 4-H Fishing Contest.

**TIMES-VIRGINIAN STAFF AWARDED SPECIAL PLAQUE** - Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vaughan accept special engraved plaque from J. A. Smith, Extension Agent. The **Times-Virginian** was recognized for outstanding support of service to the Appomattox 4-H Program.

**SENIOR 4-HERS WITH DR. KEN DAWSON, DIRECTOR OF 4-H IN VIRGINIA**- left to right, Joe Ford, Lisa Dickerson, Willis Fleshman, Dr. Dawson, Sharon Roach and Mary Dyess.

**ADULT VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED** - left to right, Mrs. Michaele Penn, Mrs. Fannie Farrar, Mrs. Mary Edith Morris, and Mrs. Geraldine Marshall were awarded framed certificates for their contribution to the Appomattox 4-H Program. Unable to attend were Mrs. Cynthia Thomas and Mr. Bill Hansen.

## 4-H Awards Banquet Held

The 1976 Appomattox 4-H Awards Banquet was held Thursday evening, December 16, at the ACHS Cafeteria. Approximately 225 4-H members, parents and friends of 4-H attended the covered dish banquet and awards program.

Special guest speaker was Dr. Kenneth Dawson, Director of 4-H in Virginia.

Dr. Dawson spoke on the "Spirit of 4-H" and the importance of young people developing a meaningful set of values as they mature into responsible citizens. Dr. Dawson was introduced by Sharon Roach, a member of the Appomattox Community 4-H Club.

4-H members received awards for many projects and activities conducted over the past year. Among the 4-H awards given were: **Achievement:** Lisa Dickerson, Joe Ford, Cyinthia Hix, Vicki Glover; **Automotive Care:** Baxter Parris; **Bicycle:** Gloria Ferguson; **Breads:** Pam Fuller, Angie Murray, Cheryl Walton; **Clothing:** Laurie Cowan, Donna Abernathy, Janis Richardson, Sharon Davis; **Conservation:** Cheryl Adams; **Consumer Education:** Gaye Phelps, Steve Conner; **Dairy Foods:** Shelia Roach, Susan George, Cindy McCormick, Christina Robertson; **Dog Care:** Kim Maxwell, Jane Guill, Joanie Canada, Ricky Mayberry; **Electric:** Warren Baldwin, Jr.; **Entomology:** Laurie Cowan, Donna Layne, Laura Walton, Dawn Pitsenberger; **Forestry:** Dana Moore, Audrey Moore; **Gardening:** Allen Smith, Blair Smith; **Health:** Chad Deavers, Denise McCormick, Lynne Gordon, Bonnie Drinkard; **Home Environment:** Cheryl Adams, Patty Harris, Debbie McCoy, Susan Morris; **Home Management:** Janis Richardson, Pam Fuller, Sylvia Trent.

Also **Leadership:** Willis Fleshman, Vicki Glover, Steve Cobb; **Petroleum Power:** Nathan Smith, Kevin Martin; **Photography:** Renee Wells; **Public Speaking:** Michelle Penn, Ken Caldwell, Allen Smith; **Safety:** Melissa Randolph, Susan Morris; **Veterinary Science:** Susan Shorter; **Dress Revue:** Jane Guill, Wendy Lee, Michelle Penn, Lisa Moore; **Citizenship:** Vicki Glover, Mary Dyess; **Community Beautification:** Ruby Smith; **Horse:** Sandra Alderson; **Rabbit:** Sherry Overton; **Recreation:** Sharon Roach, Susan Parris; **Woodworking:** John Franklin, David Vaughan; and **Swine:** Lisa Coleman.

Special Recognition Certificates were awarded to 4-H'ers in the following areas: **Clothing:** Wendy Lee; **Consumer Education:** Lisa Moore, Mary Dyess, Cheryl Walton; **Foods and Nutrition:** Laura Walton; **Forestry:** Kevin Martin; **Home Environment:** Susan Shorter; **Leadership:** Cynthia Hix, Joe Ford, Tamara Nash, Lisa Dickerson; **Photography:** Kathy Lewis; **Public Speaking:** Ernie Chenault, Joe Ford, Tamara Nash; **Safety:** Steve Cobb; **Dress Revue:** Laurie McLean, Vicki Glover; **Arts and Crafts:** Cornelius Davis, Ricky Mayberry, Sharon Archer, Laurie Cowan; and **Child Care:** Kim Maxwell, Joe Ford, Cynthia Hix, Mary Hudson.

Mr. Carl Miller, owner and operator of White's Auto Store and sponsor of the 1976 4-H Fishing Contest, presented special gift certificates to the top 4-H fishermen. Top winners were: Bass Category: Ray Phelps 1st, Dennis Cuseo 2nd, Janis Richardson 3rd; **Catfish:** Darryl MacIntosh 1st, Michael Marshall 2nd, Jerry Hudson 3rd; **Bream and Crappie:** Jack Williams 1st, Steve Mayberry 2nd, Todd Pickett 3rd.

Awards for the 1976 4-H Wildlife Feed Patch Contest were presented by James A. Smith, Extension Agent, on behalf of the Oakville Ruritan Club. Top winners were: 1st Kevin Mitchell, 2nd Virginia Marshall, 3rd Donald Parris, 4th Mark Elliott, 5th Diann Harvey. The Oakville Ruritans have sponsored this program for the past several years. 4-H'ers planted 34 feed patches in 1976.

Special certificates were also awarded to outstanding first year 4-H members in 1976. These awards were given to Vivian Seay, Debbie McCormick, Tambra Hamlet, Connie Clifton, Jay Chenault, Elizabeth Ann Watts and James McCormick.

Framed certificates were presented to outstanding adult leaders for their service to the Appomattox 4-H program. Mrs. Shirley Walton, Extension Agent, presented certificates to Mrs. Mary Edith Morris, Mrs. Fannie Farrar, Mrs. Michael Penn, and Mrs. Geraldine Marshall. Also recognized but unable to attend were Mrs. Cynthia Thomas and Mr. Bill Hansen. Previous recipients of adult leader awards attending the banquet were: Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Parris, Jr., Miss Pam White, Mrs. Alease Cobb and Mrs. Margaret Glover.

A very special engraved plaque was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vaughan, representing the **Times-Virginian** staff, for their support and service to the Appomattox 4-H Program over the years. Mr. J. A. Smith made the presentation.

Joe Ford, President of the Appomattox Community 4-H Club, presided at the banquet. The invocation was given by Mary Dyess. At the close of the program the 4-H Pledge was led by Lisa Dickerson, President of the Lucky Clover 4-H Club, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Willis Fleshman, President of the Oakville 4-H Club.

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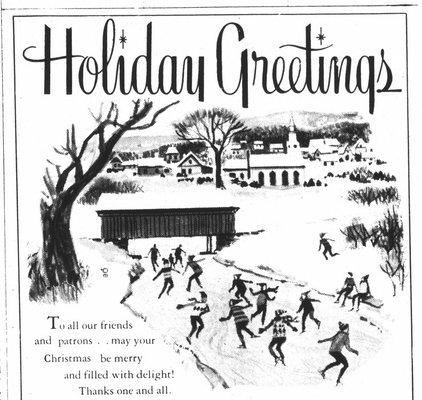

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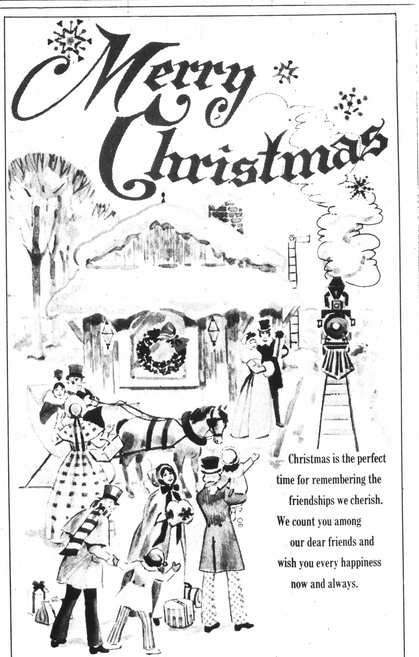

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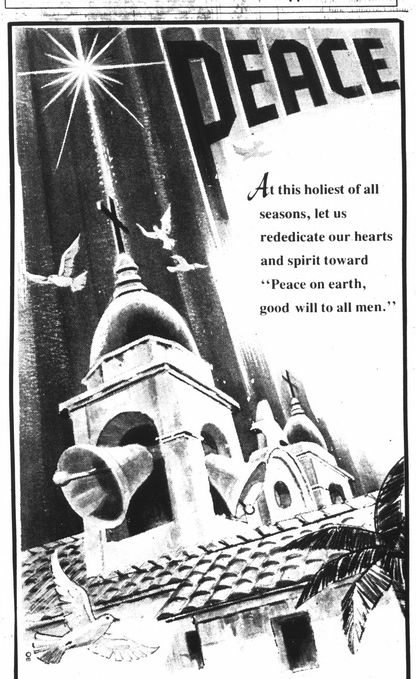

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